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Mitchell Livingston WerBell; Anti-Communist Arms Dealer

POWDER SPRINGS, Ga., Dec. 18 (AP) — Mitchell Livingston WerBell 3d, soldier of fortune, former international arms dealer and former operator of a counterterrorist training school near Atlanta, died Friday. He was 65 years old.

Mr. WerBell died in Los Angeles after a brief illness, said his son-in-law, Perry Smith of Powder Springs.

Mr. WerBell's anti-Communist activities were often said to be linked with the Central Intelligence Agency. He was an agent with the Office of Strategic Services, the forerunner of the C.I.A.

He was arrested last month of charges of carrying a weapon on Federal property as he accompanied Larry Flynt, publisher of Hustler magazine and a client of Mr. WerBell's security consulting business in California, into Federal District Court in Los Angeles, where Mr. Flynt was under contempt charges.

In 1965, Mr. WerBell was a paramilitary adviser to the Dominican Republic Government when a Communist-backed civil war erupted. Two years later, he was indicted in a plot against the Castro regime in Cuba. The charges were later dropped.

Mr. WerBell and his two sons disbanded their munitions trading and manufacturing company after Federal agents seized 3,400 machine guns on charges of improper record-keeping.